

Town of Weare Parks and Recreation

Meeting Minute March 8, 2011

FIELD USAGE COORDINATION MEETING: Representatives from JS United (Lax), JS Generals Football Association, WAC soccer, WAC baseball, and Boy Scouts met with PARC members to coordinate field usage for the upcoming year.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: ~7:25pm

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Jim Blouin, Valerie King, Melissa Drury, Randy Magoon, Gene Propper, Tom Desrosiers, and Mike Housman

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Tony Sawyer, President of the John Stark Generals Football Association, asked the members to allow JSGFA to purchase and install a *Mark Smart* kit for lining the football field at Bolton. The kit has a 30 year warranty and will not interfere with field maintenance or game play. The kit comes with different colored plugs to assist with lining the field for different sports.
- Tony also indicated that JSGFA will be hearing from state officials on or about April 14th with regard to whether or not this year's football jamboree being held at Bolton Field.

Gene made a motion to accept the JSGFA's offer to purchase and install a Mark Smart kit at Bolton for use by the football program to line Bolton Field. Melissa seconded the motion. All approved. Motion carried.

MIKE'S COORDINATOR'S REPORT:

- Mike has reviewed the electric usage history of the field. They appear to be relatively consistent with the anomalies noted at last month's meeting (bill doubled at 2 fields). PSNH confirmed that these were actual meter readings and not estimates. Mike will follow-up to find out why.
- The Red Cross bill has been paid. Kathy had the certificates.
- It may be too late in the season to put the arrow signs up at the Red Cross Stairs (to keep snowmobilers and the like off this area). Mike and Gene will look into it and decide what, if anything, needs to be done.
- Chase Park applications are coming in. Mike and Chuck will be meeting with Kathy to decide on the number of openings. The openings were advertised on the town website and Mike will post an additional notice on Channel 6 (include deadline for submitting applications). Mike will also contact Mary to determine if we have met our requirements for advertising the opportunities.

NEW/OLD BUSINESS:

Gene made a motion to accept the minutes for January 11, 2011 as written. Randy seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0-1. Motion carried.

- The Committee needs to take down the ice rink as soon as weather permits.
- Discussion regarding fees at Chase Park.
 - The general consensus was that the economy did not support any increases in fees.
 - Need to analyze revenue. How cash coming into Chase is recorded? Can we track who is using the park (in-town vs. out-of-town residents) and for what purpose (access to boat launch or beach)?
 - Should out-of-town fees be adjusted to increase usage?
- It was recommended that the Commission conduct actual exit interview rather than paper surveys (which resulted in few responses).
- Jim will ask Tony Sawyer about getting use of the prisoners to do spring clean-up.
- Mike will contact the porta-potty company to have them pick up the units at the Gazebo and Chase park at the end of this month.
- The shade structure at the playground needs to be replaced. The bench is also broken and in need of repair/replacement/removal. The teeter-totter also is in need of repair.

NEXT MONTH:

- Talk about a new roof for the bathroom building at Chase Park
- Review the Lawn Care contract (which will be going out to bid this summer)

MEETING ADJOURNED: ~8:15PM